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Let us build a monument to Time
That knows all, sees all, and contains all,
To whom these bones in the valley are even as we are:
Even Time's monument would crumble
Before the face of Time,
And be as these white bones
Washed clean and bare by the sun. . . .

CANDLE-LIGHT AND SUN

CANDLE-LIGHT

It might have been me in the darkened room
With the shutters closed,
Lying straight and slim
In the shuttered dusk,
In the twilight dim;
Like a silken husk
When the corn is gone,
Life withdrawn.
I am living, and she is dead—
It might have been me instead.

THE MASK

Death is a beautiful white mask,
That slips over the face, when the moment comes,
To hide the happiness of the soul.